

# Tartar Teen Talk

By Pam Anderson

The results are final! Congratulations to Kenny Roberts who was elected by the student body to lead them as their student body president for 1967 fall semester.

Cara Armstrong was elected vice-president; Laura Echols, commissioner of records; Barbara Moffit, commissioner of finance; Pam Anderson, Girls' League President, Saul Weinstein, commissioner of activities; Diane Shigekuni, commissioner of group control; Mona Carlin, Tartar Lady Queen; Terry Borrelli, commissioner of publicity; Barbara Bentwood, commissioner of pep; Steve Turner, commissioner of Athletics; Kenny Waters, Student Court Judge. Congratulations to all!

Tomorrow is Bermuda Day! Sponsored by Girls' League, this is the one day of the year when Tartars are allowed to wear bermudas, capris, culottes, and jumpsuits. This is for boys, too! Tickets must be visible on the person at all times.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mona Carlin who was elected as the new Tartar Lady Queen. Due to the new ASB constitution, the Tartar Ladies queen will have a seat on the student council. Kathy Nolan was chosen as first lady; Kathy Warne, secretary; Susan Bundy, historian; Barbara Bentwood, sergeant-at-arms, and Renae Johnson, treasurer. Flowers of congratulations to these girls who were elected to the fall semester officers for the Tartar Ladies.

Applications for class officers were due today in the activities office. Meeting of all candidates will be held Friday before school. The class aud-calls will be held next Thursday and the election will be Friday, May 26, before school and at lunch.

DATE: Saturday, May 20,

## CHP Test Deadline Now Friday

Next Friday is the final day for young men to apply for the June 17 examination for state traffic officer in the California Highway Patrol, it was announced today.

Captain Pat Ford, commander of the CHP's South Los Angeles office, said prospective patrolmen should submit applications to any Highway Patrol office prior to the deadline.

Men between 21 and 31 who are in good health and meet minimum physical standards are eligible to take the test if they are high school graduates.

"The salary and benefits which patrolmen receive are excellent and the Patrol has offices in all parts of the state," Captain Ford said.

## Candidate Selected For Board

Mrs. Esterline Stephen, 1036 W. 253rd St., Harbor City was selected by community consensus to run for the eighth community representative seat on the board of directors of the Economic and Youth Opportunities Agency.

Mrs. Stephen, a resident of Harbor City, was selected at a meeting conducted recently by the Harbor City Improvement League.

## Torrance Girl Wins Top Award

Margaret Ackerman, a student at Torrance High School, is one of six South Bay high school students honored by the Southern California Edison Co.

Miss Ackerman was selected as a top winner in the utility's "Excellence in Scientific Achievement" awards program.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Ackerman of 1104 Cerise Ave.

# Teachers to Visit Mexico For Unique Summer Class

The determination of a Torrance Spanish teacher that Americans should not think of Mexicans as stereotyped, sombrero-wearing, siesta-loving has resulted in a unique summer course for teachers at a Mexico City university.

Three years ago Uruguay-born Mrs. Alba Moesser, a Spanish teacher at Torrance High School who had been asked to train sixth grade school teachers locally to teach Spanish in the Torrance elementary schools, decided that what American teachers needed was a first-hand opportunity to see life south of the border and speak the language with the natives.

After corresponding with Universidad Ibero-Americana, a Mexico City university begun in 1953 to conduct programs for foreign students, she was offered the opportunity to set up a three-week course for Torrance teachers at the university during the summer of 1966.

IN ADDITION to studying mornings on campus, the teachers were to live with Mexican families in private homes and tour museums, art galleries, and historic sights afternoons and week ends.

Seventeen Torrance teachers accompanied her that first summer. Results were so successful that the university decided to expand the following year. Ads were put in a national magazine for Spanish teachers, and 134 students enrolled for the 1966 summer program. To accommodate the increased student body, several instructors were added to the staff and Mrs. Moesser was named assistant to the dean.

Included in the 1966 summer class were 13 teachers from French Canada who felt the class would help prepare them for Expo '67.

TEACHERS were met at the airport by university personnel who had the addresses of the homes they were to live in, the proper taxi fare in an envelope with the address, and words of welcome. The expanded program had leaped from one course in 1965 to more than a dozen courses last summer, ranging from Pro-Hispanic and Colonial Art in Mexico to Mexican Social Anthropology.

All courses were taught in Spanish. She hasn't visited her homeland, Uruguay, in years, and she hasn't camped in Europe with her family since '63.

There isn't any question in her mind. Come summer, she'll be trekking south of the border for the third time to spend a Spanish teacher's busman's holiday teaching Spanish at the Universidad Ibero-Americana. Only this time the curriculum will be offering 14 three-week classes and three four-week classes. And French, as well as English, will be supporting languages for beginners.

On week ends students visited the Pyramids, Acolman-Tepozotlan, Cuernavaca, and Taxo. They attended the bullfights and participated in Fiestas.

TO CONCLUDE the session, the Torrance contingent threw a party for their Mexican hostesses in Mrs. Moesser's apartment. To their surprise, they made headlines in Mexican papers.

What are Mrs. Moesser's plans for the summer of '67?

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